CLAYTON COUNTY OBSERVES EXISTING INDUSTRY MONTH DECEMBER 2013

WHEREAS: Clayton County has a long history of attracting major corporate

investment in the county's identified core industry clusters of transportation and logistics, food and beverage processing and manufacturing, aviation and aerospace, and chemical manufacturing;

and

WHEREAS: The existing industries and companies in Clayton County provide local

revenue and considerable contributions to our families and communities

that improve the overall quality of life; and

WHEREAS: Clayton County and the Department of Economic Development are

> committed to the retention and expansion of our core existing industries and have identified Ralcorp as one of our leading partners and

contributors; and

WHEREAS: Founded in 1919, Ralcorp is a part of the Conagra Foods family of

companies since 2013 and is the largest manufacturer of private label

foods in the United States; and

WHEREAS: Ralcorp is the leading producer of private-brand foods sold under the

> individual labels of various grocery, mass merchandise and drugstore retailers, frozen bakery products to in-store bakeries, restaurants, and

other food service customers; and

WHEREAS: Ralcorp acquired the former Sara Lee plant in 2011 where it has been a

> stable and major employer in Clayton County. The Forest Park plant has undergone recent multi-million dollar expansions over the past several

years and continues to thrive; and

Clayton County is pleased to have a thriving community of industries WHEREAS:

that include businesses such as Ralcorp to support the local economy

and provide essential employment opportunities; now

THEREFORE: I, JEFFREY E. TURNER, Chairman, on behalf of the Clayton County Board

of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim December 2013 as Existing **Industry Month** in Clayton County, Georgia. I encourage all citizens to join me in acknowledging Ralcorp for their significant contributions to the community and the economic benefits they provide to our citizens.

> In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Clayton County, Georgia, to be affixed this 17th day of December in the year two thousand thirteen.

Jeffrey E. Turner, Chairman